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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
Jeffrey A. SHIELDS, et al. :
Serial No.: 09/498,336 : Group Art Unit: 1765
Filed: February 04, 2000 : Examiner: V. Perez-Ramos
For: CF4 + H2O PLASMA ASHING FOR REDUCTION OF CONTACT/VIA
RESISTANCE

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231


Sir:

In response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121), dated September 19, 2002, Applicants have re-submitted the Amendment originally submitted dated September 17, 2002, addressing the noted informality.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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